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Vector Tree Correlator for Variable Spreading Rates

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Notice of Allowability mailed on <u>04/06/05</u> contains an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

The Statement contains language that attempts to characterize the claimed subject matter. The Applicant submits, however, that the language in the Statement does not exactly match any of independent claims 1, 11, and 15. In particular, the Statement implies that independent claims 1, 11, and 15 recite "an adder tree with an output tap at each combining node of the tree wherein a correlation for a particular spreading rate can be output corresponding to the particular output tap." The Applicant submits that this exact language does not appear in any of the independent claims.

Moreover, the Statement appears to cite only a portion of the claim language from the independent claims. The Applicant submits that the independent claims recite additional language.

In general, to the extent that the Statement differs from the language of any of the independent claims, the Applicant rejects any narrowing or limitations that might possibly result from such differences.

Certification Under 37 CFR 1.8

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For each of these reasons individually and for all these reasons collectively, the Applicant objects to the Statement.

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